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Majority prices were one cent lower in the West, unchanged elsewhere when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was irregular, but overall no better than steady to weak. Retail and food service demand was mostly light to moderate, often fairly good into sports bars and fast food channels. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to ample for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to fair. Tenders were sufficient, and in some instances, small wings were less available. However, all other parts were adequate to ample with limited interest. In production areas, live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were desirable to heavy.

Final Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 20-MAR-2006 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A		COMPOSITE			
AREAS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	56.90	32
Chicago	51.00-54.00	54.37	39 :	55.17	74
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	53.25	17
Denver	74.50	74.50	13 :	75.25	14
Detroit	52.00-55.00	55.00	8 :	56.86	59
Los Angeles	75.00	72.76	68 :	68.73	139
New York	53.00-56.00	54.58	24 :	55.81	62
Philadelphia	52.50-54.00	52.77	11 :	53.82	22
Pittsburgh	52.00-55.00	53.45	11 :	61.07	57
St. Louis	52.50-52.75	52.09	20 :	52.91	36
San Francisco	75.50	74.39	33 :	73.29	80

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	03/20/06	Change/Last Wk	03/13/06	03/21/05
592	60.89	-1.50	62.39	74.07

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delv'd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	57.00-58.00	57.41	26
Central	48.00-59.00	56.37	70
Western	53.00-62.00	60.07	40
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	65.00-68.00	67.23	94

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 68.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,113	51.00-70.00	67.09
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:		
	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	140.00	1,468
BREASTS - B/S	112.00	6,133
BREASTS - WHOLE	58.00	1,533
THIGH MEAT - B/S	74.50	1,177
LEG QUARTERS	17.50	9,504
WINGS	94.50	3,098

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying interest was light to no better than fair as dealers were cautious and selective entering the week. Offerings were at least adequate to available for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was barely steady. In the parts complex, breast items were fully adequate. Tenders were clearing satisfactorily. Leg cuts, wings and boneless skinless thigh meat were at least adequate to readily available.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was no better than steady. Demand following the weekend was light to moderate, mostly light, with market conditions being assessed and monitored. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate for limited needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair at best with most items adequate to ample and often discounted to help clear. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at generally desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were 1 cent lower than last Mondays' levels. The market tone was weak. Trading reported for this week deliveries at mainly lower prices. Offerings were mixed on WOGs; with less than 4 pounds adequate and heavier weights ample to instances burdensome. Buying activities were moderate overall. Sharp discounts reported mainly on heavy weight product. Buying activity was fair. Retail demand moderate. Dealers reported moderate to occasionally heavier than desired week-end clearances. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 55.79, down 2.06; with the volume reported at 29 loads, up 7 percent. Trade sentiment was barely steady on parts.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Majority prices on whole broiler/fryers were generally unchanged from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. The whole fryer market tone was barely steady to weak. Offerings were adequate to ample for the limited trade inquiry. Demand into retail and food service channels was light to moderate with fair to fairly good movement into fast food and sports bars. Floor stocks were balanced to long; sizes desirable to at times heavy. Supplies of most parts were available, while small wings were the exception and in a tight position. The trade sentiment on dark meat items and large wings was weak with the balance of parts barely steady to weak.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light and unaggressive. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate for immediate needs. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 54 to 69 cents. Trade sentiment ranged from unsettled to cautiously steady. In the parts complex, buying interest was only fair for the available offerings. Overall, tenders were in the best position, with leg quarters and wings fully adequate to ample.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	43-70
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was light to no better than fair as dealers were cautious as they assess market conditions entering the week. Offerings of breast items were at least adequate to fully adequate; leg cuts, wings and boneless skinless thigh meat were fully adequate to readily available and competitively priced in most instances. Tenders were generally sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair at best. The market tone was steady for tenders. The balance of items were about steady to instances weak.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	105	96.36	538,600
TENDERLOINS	95-100	96.43	100,160
BREAST - WITH RIBS	56-57	67.99	34,120
BREAST - LINE RUN	56	58.41	86,840
LEGS	29-30	25.30	285,610
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	15-16	18.55	282,336
DRUMSTICKS	20-21	25.33	51,800
THIGHS	24-25	30.60	43,360
B/S THIGHS	69-70	69.99	68,840
WINGS (WHOLE)	76-77	79.14	184,560
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.17	17,280
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	25-30	33.27	3,120
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	45-50	49.60	17,040

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	560	80.00-102.00	-	94.57
TENDERLOINS	240	93.00-97.00	93	93.67
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,320	13.00-16.00	14.5	14.30
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,400	14.50-19.00	-	17.07
WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,080	18.00-20.00	18-19	18.67

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	03/20	03/16	03/16	03/13	03/09
Alabama	4,006	3,940	5.27	3,915	5.32
Arkansas	5,417	5,293	5.10	4,965	5.07
Delmarva	1,998	2,157	5.61	1,989	5.65
KY-LA-TN	2,197	2,185	5.01	2,265	4.97
Mississippi	2,862	2,928	5.76	2,921	5.73
North Carolina	2,569	2,544	6.70	2,353	6.63
Texas	2,511	2,567	5.18	2,371	4.55
Total	21,560	21,614	5.46	20,779	5.37
Mon	21,560(A)			20,779(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 20-Mar 2005 is estimated to be 32,256,000 up 3.45 percent from a week ago. and up 0.8 percent from a year ago. (last week 31,181,000 last year 31,999,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	455	80.00-149.00	-	91.87
TENDERLOINS	258	84.00-145.00	90-95	92.69
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	140	16.00-42.00	17-19	17.86
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	586	11.00-22.00	12-13	12.92
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,090	13.00-25.00	14-16	16.86
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	72.00-99.00	78-82	83.25
WINGS (CUT)	295	92.00-103.00	95-99	97.22
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR MARCH 20, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
34.50 - 41.00	35.96	36.24

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL

TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 20-MAR-TO 24-MAR-2006

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	80.00 - 108.00	88.00 - 100.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	54.00 - 81.00	57.00 - 61.00
LEGS	22.00 - 32.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	13.00 - 24.00	16.00 - 18.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	14.00 - 26.00	17.00 - 20.00
DRUMSTICKS	17.00 - 29.00	-
THIGHS	22.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	59.50 - 99.00	88.00 - 93.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	32.00 - 48.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 58.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	80.75-98.75
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	84.25-101.25
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	94-98
ROASTERS 4# & UP	97-105
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 89-103
	DRY PACK 108-114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 100
	DRY PACK 111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 88-102
	DRY PACK 102-109
DUCKS	185-190

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

MARCH 17, 2006				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.50	15.00-19.00	582,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	17.50	15.86		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.50-21.00	13.00-15.00	1,968,000	1,248,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.60	14.22		
20% OR MORE		13.00	80,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		13.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

MARCH 17, 2006				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	22.00	17.00	142,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	22.00	17.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.50-20.00	12.00-16.00	929,600	440,800
WTD AVERAGE	15.91	13.83		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was about fair to moderate at best for the at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal to less than normal. Sales of finished product was fair. The undertone was no better than steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 20-MAR-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-15.25	12-13	12.63
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were moderate. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 20-MAR-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15.5	11-13	12.10

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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